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More Trouble Ahead in Mexico

Washington, March 22.—Grave apprehension regarding the outcome of the United States expedition into Mexico in pursuit of Villa was evident for the first time in Washington tonight after receipt by the war department of a dispatch from General Funston saying a report had reached him that 2,000 Carranza troops at Chihuahua, under Gen. Luis Herrera, had revolted and aligned themselves with the bandits. While no confirmation reached the state department or the Mexican embassy, fear that the report might be true was not disguised in official circles.

If Herrera and his troops have joined Villa, some officials believe other Carranza commanders and troops may quickly follow their example. In such an event the United States and the de facto government of Mexico would find themselves confronted with a situation so serious that its possibilities hardly could be estimated. The troops under Herrera are said to be the best equipped in northern Mexico and well supplied with ammunition.

56th BATTALION

LEFT FOR FRONT

Calgary, March 16.—The 56th is off for the front. A short and simple statement, but one filled with meaning for the people of Calgary. Another Calgary battalion, 1,200 strong, band, field staff, and mascot, is now a-wheel; somewhere in Canada, bound for a destination that is not announced, traversing a route that is a military secret, but destined before many more months have passed to be "doing its bit" in the trenches and helping to beat the unspeakable Hun. Fit as fiddles and hard as nails, the boys were keen to get away and ready for anything the future might have in store for them.

The 56th is peculiarly a Calgary regiment. It was recruited in the city, and practically its whole personnel, from Lieut.-Col. Armstrong down to the lowliest private, hails from this city. Its movements, and achievements will be watched with keenest solicitude from this time forward.

The departure of the battalion, after many delays and false alarms, was a notable event in the city's history. The scenes which attended it were the same to yet individually different to those which characterized the going of the other regiments which are already on the other side of the Atlantic.

KITCHENER MAKES STRONG APPEAL

THE MARRIED MEN

London, March 16.—Speaking of recruiting in the house of lords this afternoon, Lord Kitchener earnestly appealed to the married men to come forward and join the ranks.

"Our position is an anxious one," he said, "owing to the disappointing numbers which have joined for general services."

"I cordially endorse all who Earl of Derby has done to obtain those men whom I have not the slightest doubt we shall finally bring in," said Lord Kitchener in addressing the house, "but this requires time. In the meantime we require men to train to meet the calculated requirements of the war. The married men who have attested should realize that even if we obtained all the single men we anticipated we should secure under the group system and the military service act, we shall still require a large number of

married men within the next few weeks."

"I, therefore, earnestly appeal to the married men who have attested to place their patriotism and the national cause before any personal consideration and come forward without hesitation and join the ranks. The position is an anxious one, owing to the disappointing numbers which have joined for general service, but we shall take every step we possibly can to secure single men and shall not rest this endeavor until we have secured all the single men who are not otherwise indispensable to the government."

GERMANS PREPARED TO EXCHANGE DOCTOR BELAND

Ottawa, March 16.—News has been received here as to the likelihood of the return to freedom of Dr. Beland, Canada's member of parliament, who has been a German prisoner ever since the Germans took Brussels over a year and a half ago.

Hon. Mr. J. Dandurand, who is the chairman of the Canadian group of inter-parliamentary union, has received from Mr. C. L. Lange, the general secretary of the union, a letter written from Christiania, Norway, under date of February 11, in which the latter says:

"I have pleasure in informing you that Hon. John Gheen, director of the Reichstag's bureau, and permanent secretary of the German inter-parliamentary group writes me in a letter dated January 20 as follows:

"Dr. Beland is still at the Stadtvoghe. He has been informed because he is English. He has been permitted to choose between the internment camp at Ruhleben and at Stadtvoghe, and he has preferred to remain at Stadtvoghe. Negotiations have been made in many quarters for the release of Dr. Beland. His name is now on the list of prisoners who will be exchanged."

FOE FIRES UPON FRENCH VESSEL WITHOUT NOTICE

New York, March 16.—While carrying 20 Americans among her 900 passengers, the Fabre liner, a French steamer, was attacked without warning by a submarine off the coast of Tunis according to the story told by her captain upon the Patria's arrival here, today. A torpedo fired by the submarine, he said, passed 20 feet to the liner's stern.

The Patria arrived some days later at Lisbon, Portugal, the American vice-consul, Ramon I. Janer, boarded the ship to conduct an investigation for the purpose of notifying Washington of the circumstances of the attack.

Capt. Dechelles, of the Patria, said that upon his return to Europe he would apply to the French government for permission to arm his vessel on the ground that submarines in the Mediterranean would not, in his opinion, refrain from attacking merchant vessels without warning them.

BRAZIL STEPS IN AND TAKES A FEW GERMAN SHIPS

London, March 17.—Forty-four German ships have been seized by the Brazilian government, according to despatches from Liverpool. The German vessels were merchantmen, which had been interned in Brazilian ports at the outbreak of the war.

It is understood that Brazil has acted to meet a shortage of transport requirements. It is also pointed out that Berlin has persistently disregarded Brazil's efforts to obtain release of cattle seized by the Germans and valued at \$7,000,000, the property of the São Paulo govern-

The Battle of Verdun Continues

London, March 22.—Infantry attacks northwest of Verdun, preceded by vigorous bombardment, have caused the Germans to gain a foothold on the small hill of Haucourt, which lies just outside the village of Malancourt and between that town and the eastern edge of the Malancourt wood. The entire sector of about two and a half miles from the Avocourt wood to Malancourt has been subjected to a violent artillery bombardment and several German infantry attacks, but except in the immediate vicinity of Malancourt, the Germans were held by the French barrier fire and were unable to advance.

Northeast of Verdun, around Douaumont and Vaux, an intense artillery bombardment is still in progress. The infantry forces, however, have remained inactive in this district.

ITALIAN OFFENSIVE IS DEVELOPING WITH GREAT STRENGTH

London, March 16.—The Italians continue strongly on the offensive against the Austrians on the Isonzo front, especially on the Podgora Heights sector and southwest of San Martino.

On Podgora the Italians entered the Austrian lines, but, according to Vienna, were repulsed in vicious hand-to-hand fighting.

Both Austria and Italy lay claim to successes around San Martino. The Austrian assert that an Italian attack in the sector failed, and that the Italians left numerous dead on the field. The Italian official statement declares that after severe artillery and musketry preparation, the Austrians launched two strong attacks, and succeeded in reaching the edge of the trenches taken from them recently, but were on each occasion repulsed, "leaving the ground covered with dead."

Berlin, March 16 (via wireless to Sayville)—Desperate efforts on the Austrian lines along the Isonzo are being continued by the Italians in their determined offensive in that region, according to the Austrian headquar-

ters' statement of March 15, received here today from Vienna.

The Podgora Heights the Ital-

ians were only driven back from the Austrian positions by bitter hand-to-hand fighting.

The official statement says:

"Italian attacks are proceeding on the Isonzo front. Bitter combats occurred on the Podgora Heights, where the enemy, having partly succeeded in entering our lines, was repulsed in vicious hand-to-hand fighting. The night by Italian attack, made after several hours' artillery preparation, in the sector southwest of San Martino, was a failure. Before this position more than 1,000 enemy dead from the battles of previous days are lying."

"Italian airmen dropped bombs on Trieste without causing damage."

FURTHER PROGRESS BY GENERAL SMUTS IN EAST AFRICA

London, March 16.—Further progress for the British expeditionary force in the campaign against German East Africa was officially announced this evening.

The statement said that Gen. Jan Christian Smuts, in command of the force, had reported to the occupation of Mushi, and that the British were pushing on to occupy Arusha, which was believed to have been evacuated.

The text of the statement reads:

"General Smuts reports: Our

troops occupied Mushi, the 13th

of March, and are pushing on to

occupy Arusha, which is believed

to have been evacuated by the Germans.

"The enemy appears to be re-

tiring rapidly southward. His

movements are greatly assisted

by the Tanga railway. Numerous

rivers in the area of opera-

tions have somewhat hindered

our pursuit."

"Further evidence as to the

severe defeat inflicted on the

enemy at Kitovo is still being

received. A search of the hills,

which are covered with brush,

has brought to light a great

number of dead. Three machine

guns and one gun which the en-

emy abandoned in his retreat

were found."

DESTROYED SHEDS AT ESSEN

London, March 15.—Allied aviators have raided Essen, home of the Krupp gun works, according to dispatches from Amsterdam today.

Other air squadrons have attacked Munich, capital of Bavaria, and the city of Gladbach, the dispatches said.

The allied aviators destroyed six sheds at Essen, the Amster-

dam Telegraph reported.

The news, which has not been confirmed by the war office, aroused great enthusiasm here.

Since the beginning of the war aeronautic experts have been urging a general allied raid on the Krupp works at Essen, which lies about 170 miles north of the French lines at Verdun.

DESERTED TO GET TO TRENCHES SOONER; GETS NINE MONTHS

Edmonton, Alta., March 15.—At the city police court today Magistrate Primrose sentenced Private William Ryan, of the 138th battalion, to nine months at Fort Saskatchewan jail for desertion.

The man left the 138th without permission last month and re-enlisted in the 51st battalion, which is expected much sooner to leave for the front.

He pleaded for leniency on the ground that he did not understand that he was deserting when his intention was to get to the front a little sooner than if he stayed with the 138th. The magistrate remarked that he had no option but to punish him. In re-enlisting he would have to make a false affidavit, and it was necessary for men to realize that it was a serious offence to transgress without the permission of their commanding officers.

REGINA MAN IS TAKEN IN TEXAS

San Antonio, Texas, March 16.—Joseph Parsons Brown, wanted at Regina, Sask., on a charge of having embezzled between \$150,000 and \$200,000, was arrested here today by Charles Augustus Mahoney, chief of provincial police, assisted by local detectives.

Brown, it is charged, obtained the money through the government contracts while he was in charge of big interests of the Canadian city. Two thousand dollars' reward was offered for his arrest.

Chief of Police Mahoney will leave here tonight with the prisoner, after a two years' chase across the United States for him.

CANADA WILL BE CONSULLED

Ottawa, March 17.—In the senate today Senator Bostock asked if steps had been taken to communicate to the British government the views of the Canadian government as to the way the commercial interests of Canada should be preserved at the conference about to be held in Paris to consider commercial arrangements to be made between the

governments of the allies.

Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied there had been no representation to Canada, but the British government informed the Canadian government that no steps would be taken without consultation with the Dominion.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

St. John's Ambulance Association shipped to the Provincial Headquarters this week one case for the boy at the front containing the following:

53 pairs socks, 40 cakes of soap, 500 cigarettes, 100 plugs of tobacco, 12 packages Old Church tobacco, 4 dozen pencils, 12 writing pads, 6 packages envelopes, 1 dozen shaving sticks, 24 packages chewing gum, 1 package peppermints, 1 mouth organ, 2 packs cards, 1 bridge score, and the following individual contributions: Mrs. P. H. Winter, 5 packages and 1 mouth organ; Mrs. Jones, 1 package of pens; Mrs. W. H. Urquhart, 6 packages cigarettes; Miss Muriel Norton, 1 package cigarettes and newspaper clippings; Mrs. McDougall and Mrs. McKay, 12 packets chocolate; anonymous, 5 razors.

RED CROSS NOTES

The Red Cross acknowledges with thanks the donation of \$3 from the leap-year skating party and \$3.50 from the hockey match—Married Men vs. Single Men.

The citizens will shortly have the opportunity of participating in a guessing contest in aid of the funds of the Society. Mrs. McBride has donated a beautiful centre-piece; Mrs. Collier a lovely cushion; and Mrs. D. Gilmore an elaborate centre-piece.

These articles are all of the very highest class in manufacture. They will be placed in one of the store windows in a few days. For a small sum you will be entitled to a guess as to how many beans are in a jar, and the winners of these articles will be the best guessers. More details next week.

BRITAIN MAY CALL FOR MORE WORKMEN

FROM DOMINIONS

London, March 16.—Speaking for Premier Asquith in the House of Commons tonight, Mr. E. G. Pretyman informed Sir Arthur Markham that a number of men had already been brought here from the overseas for munition work, and the possibility of further relieving the shortage of labor in this manner was receiving the consideration of the government.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE ON THE PRESENT WAR

On next Monday evening, the 27th inst., Mr. A. E. Ottewell, M.A., Secretary of the University Extension Department, will lecture on "The first year of the war," illustrated with lantern slides. It is a patriotic address, and intensely interesting to all. A special invitation is extended to the soldier boys of our town. At Grace Methodist Church, under the auspices of the Epworth League.

The Lakeside Young People's Society are giving a social and entertainment in the school house on Tuesday evening, March 28th. The programme includes a comic dialogue in three acts, entitled "Jumbo Jim or Handy Andy in Burnt Cork." Everybody is cordially invited to be present, and a large crowd is expected, as this will be the last social at Lakeside this winter. The ladies are requested to bring cake and sandwiches. A collection will be taken, the proceeds to be used for some good purpose.

Another Guess on War's Duration

London, March 17.—Inquiries are being received at Lloyd's for insurance to pay total loss in case of peace being declared during the present year. The inquirers are large firms who hold war contracts, and who have to give orders for material some time ahead and at war prices. As a result, premiums are inclined to show an upward tendency.

One underwriter said that, for an insurance to pay total loss in the event of peace being declared by the end of June, he would quote a rate of twenty guineas per cent., while for a similar policy extending to the end of the year the rate would be seventy per cent. Some brokers quoted as high as ninety per cent. for a policy including a clause against the war ending by the end of December. These rates are intended to be prohibitive, and no transactions were effected.

The rates also are an indication that the underwriters believe the war will not continue beyond the end of the present year. Their optimism is based on the failure of the Germans to pierce the French lines at Verdun, rumors that Germany is putting out feelers in the direction of peace, and that Turkey has made proposals for a separate peace.

KING GEORGE IS STILL WEAK

London, March 17.—King George showed the weakening effects of his recent injury, caused by being thrown from a rearing horse in France, when he appeared to-day to review the Irish Guards of the third reserve battalion, and to present medals to eight guardsmen for bravery on the battlefield. The King smiled upon the Irish soldiers as he gave the medals and spoke to each, also giving a hand shake.

Queen Mary, standing by the king's side, bestowed a smile upon the officers of each platoon as she handed them bouquets in which were shamrock sprigs. She also gave shamrock sprigs to the Irishmen who received medals. The shamrock was the gift of Queen Alexandra. Queen Mary wore a green dress beneath sable furs, a green hat, and sapphire earrings.

King George walked rather stiffly around the review stand. When he made a speech to the men in massed formation his voice was strong, carrying to every part of the square. Three rousing cheers for the king were led by Lord Kitchener, who headed the Irish Guards in a march past the king. A feature of the day's events was the appearance of John Redmond at the review. The king shook hands warmly with him, while Queen Mary pinned a sprig of shamrock on his coat lapel.

SENATE DECLINES TO GRANT DIVORCE

Ottawa, March 16.—The committee on divorce today gave a unanimous judgment refusing the application of Major Hanmer Gault, D.S.O., for divorce from his wife, Marguerite Claire Stephens. The case excited a great deal of interest here for several days past. The committee heard the evidence on Friday and Saturday. Mrs. Gault vigorously opposed the application and denied the charge. Yesterday counsel for the applicant asked the committee to reopen the case, but this the committee declined to do. Major Gault has been prominently connected with the Princess Patricia's and came to Canada from the front to present the application for divorce.

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F. H. SCHOOLEY, PROPRIETOR

PASTOR RUSSELL HELPS THE HUNS.

Pastor Russell has started a tour of Canada in the interests of the Huns. He does not advertise this as his mission, but he says that Canadians have no business to take up arms. In Peterboro, Ontario, he was asked, point-blank, whether Canadians were justified in taking up arms against the Baby-killer. Russell was embarrassed by this question, for a straight answer to it would expose his whole mission to Canada, and so he replied that this matter of taking up arms was one for the individual conscience to decide. This did not satisfy his audience, who turned the gathering into a recruiting meeting.

One result of Pastor Russell's vapors in Eastern Canada is a decision of Western Canadians that he shall not be permitted to spread his pernicious doctrine out here. There is no place in Canada for friends of the Hun, and Pastor Russell will be well advised to steer clear of our boy Canadian audiences now that his sentiments have been advertised.

Down in Montreal his aides have been urging his aides and others with "cold feet" to file affidavits with Brigadier-General Wilson to the effect that it is against their religious scruples to fight, even against the Teutons. The general is fed up on these affidavits, and if he ever meets Russell face to face he will speak harshly to him if he does not turn him over his knee and spank him.

Russell would let the Hun override the earth. How much is he getting for his pro-Hun campaign?

CHURCH GIVES DANCING

(From the Boston Post)

The dance has turned into a problem which even Trinity Church is attempting to solve. While preachers are lifting their voices against the cheap dance halls, uttering warnings to young girls and boys of their parishes, Trinity, one of the oldest and most distinguished churches in this city, is quietly drawing the teeth of viciousness from the public dances by competing with them, offering every other Friday night to the youth of its parish chartered dances, at which the latest steps are taught.

The other day one of the clergy of Trinity Church explained the modern attitude of this church when he said:

"We know the young people are determined to have their dances. They are bound to get them somewhere. We figure that it is far better for them to enjoy them at the parish house of their home church than at the public dance hall."

"What is more," he said, "we think that these modern dances might be good for the awkward, ill-at-ease boy and girl."

So it happens that the modern, much condemned modern dances, score another point.

Professor Hugo Munsterberg, the widely-known psychologist of Harvard College, even went so far as to write a book in which he called the modern dance the bearer of harmless happiness, and in which he said that dancing began as a religious cult.

LONG DEBATE ON TARIFF CHANGES IN THE COMMONS

Ottawa, March 16.—The two tariff changes in the budget also, the increased duty on apples and the duty of half a cent per gallon on fuel oils proved contentious enough to engage the attention of the house of commons throughout yesterday's sitting.

Dr. Clark, W. A. Buchanan and other western opposition members of the house, objected to the increase in the duty on apples. Sir Thomas White defended the change as necessary to the apple industry, and was supported by government members from British Columbia and Ontario.

It was nearly 10 o'clock in the evening before the debate sub-

sided, and the discussion in the oil duty commenced. There was considerable criticism of this tax.

Sir Thomas said he expected it would yield half a million dollars, and would help the mining industry, which has been hard hit by the use of oil as fuel.

The resolution was adopted at 11 o'clock and the house rose.

HALIFAX CITY TO VOTE UPON PROHIBITION

Halifax, N.S., March 17.—By a vote of 28 to 3, the house of assembly this morning rejected a motion to give the 3 months' hoist on the bill bringing Halifax city, the last bulwarks of the liquor traffic in Nova Scotia, under the Temperance Act. The bill, which provides for a vote by the citizens of Halifax on the cancellation of licenses in the city, was then sent into committee of the whole house.

When names were called for, only the three members for Halifax city stood against the bill. All the other members in the house, practically the complete membership, voted in favor.

MORATORIUM FOR VOLUNTEERS AND RESERVISTS

Premier Sifton introduced into the legislature Thursday afternoon an act for the Relief of Volunteers and Reservists, the object of which is to extend the moratorium privileges to those who have done the services for the war and protect their property during its period and for six months afterwards. The measure which follows the lines of that passed by the Saskatchewan legislature, was read a first time.

TRIAL OF MANITOBA MINISTERS IS TO BE POSTPONED

Winnipeg, March 16.—The crown, on behalf of the government, has decided not to go on with the trial of Messrs. Roblin, Caldwell and Howdon at the present assizes, with the presence of Thomas Kelly, Dr. Simpson, and Architect Simon is desired at the trial. The grand jury is still considering the case.

I. I. D. No. 399.

To the Editor of The Guardian:

Sir,—In a former issue of the *Guardian* I gave an explanation of the trouble re ditches and water-courses along the road between Nos. 1 and 2 of L.I.D. No. 399, it is so much with the intention of convincing your correspondent, Mr. Ball, for that would be beyond the power of one man, but to put the whole matter before the ratepayers as I saw it.

Much of his letter of Feb. 25 needs no comment; other parts have a striking resemblance to what "Sam Slick" calls "the small end of nothing whited above" and by leaving it at that stage in *T. E. G.* and in *W. H. B.* left for more valuable matter.

But a few statements he makes require me, I think, to make a few remarks thereon.

Mr. Ball, in his last letter, admits that Mr. Paisley was getting more than his share of the water in dispute.

Will Mr. Ball say that he told me and others that fact, say in 1913 and '14? Will he deny that he stated to more than one party that Paisley was only getting his due amount of water? Did he tell Mr. Hunt when he was good enough to try and help with a settlement that much of the water should not go through the Ball culvert but cross the road further west into his homestead?

Those are questions that should have an answer in view of the fact that Mr. B. is so positive in some of his statements. We are waiting for Mr. B. to answer.

Again he says: "He told Mr. Paisley he intended to send his water in dispute west to the creek."

Well, well, and that nine-foot ditch still stands! and the Ball homestead lying spread out ready to swallow all this pesky water from Mole, from Simpson, and Paisley. "Come one, come all, etc., etc."

But seriously, in the name of common sense, why did he put in a culvert, then, and cause all this trouble, when the price

of installing a good culvert would have put the water to its proper crossing? Did he tell Mr. Williams, the former Councillor, of this matter fully when he advised him to put in the culvert? I am strongly of the opinion he did not. At that time no nine-foot ditch lent beauty to the landscape and the homestead was wide open to receive the flood.

Again, did he fully inform Mr. Williams concerning over the water?

Those are questions that Mr. Ball should answer and not lie down on his back and kick all around him like a peevish schoolboy that fears that some of his plans may be spoiled.

Mr. Ball quotes me as saying "Nothing was done in 1913." Right; nothing was done. Again he quotes, "Nothing was done in 1914." Quite right again. Nothing was done that should have been done.

But if Mr. Ball was doing what he says—and I don't doubt it—draining a pond for Mr. Paisley somewhere in Div. No. 2, and incidentally digging a nine-foot ditch that completely drained his homestead from all the disputed water, neither the supervisor or councillor of Div. No. 1 has a word to say. But when he still makes the statement that water from the east, from the "beautiful ditch" as he calls it, did the damage to Mr. Paisley, he is making a statement no honorable man armed with rubber gloves and a ten-foot pole would turn over, and no one knows that better than Mr. B.

Only in 1915 could any dam-

age have been done by my former letter.

Mr. Ball man enough to say straight out that he made a false statement in his first letter, and a misleading one in his last, and apologize for both?

Further on he says, "Next comes myself, who benefits would I receive?" and tells of work he did in his Division. No doubt at the regular rate of wages for the District.

"Then I would get the water from four or five water-courses along almost one mile that Mr. Paisley should get."

Now, Mr. Editor, this is a statement that I intend to handle without pole or gloves. It is very misleading, and utterly false, as I will show.

When the diversion was made from the already surveyed road a part of Mr. Paisley's land was naturally cut off from the rest, and as it lay alongside the Ball homestead he and Mr. Paisley, by mutual consent, agreed to a bargain that Mr. P. should sell the land so detached to Mr. B. for \$224.80. He paid that sum plus some 11 acres of land, not for the road. Work on the road so surveyed was begun, and a good deal done. In the doing, Mr. Ball being foreman, a ditch at a certain point was dug nine feet deep. The water from the Paisley pond he speaks of was taken through this ditch and still on the Paisley side of the road let out near the bridge, and as the water he complains of would have come through this pond, if the Storey recommendation had been carried out, it would have followed the same side of the road.

I mentioned in my first letter that the natural runway of the water from the Mole-Simpson road crossed the Ball homestead and here is the spot at the outlet of the pond and above the nine foot cut.

Now, your correspondent is very keen on "steel culverts." Why did he not recommend one at this point? Would it have interfered with the plans of Mr. Charles Ball, or did he wish his property drained at the expense of the public? Was there anything said here to mislead councillors or others? More questions for Mr. B. to tackle.

Here the bare facts stand out. At this point Mr. Ball was saved from any ill consequences from any water in dispute or otherwise. And he states, over his own signature, "Then I would get the water from four or five water-courses along almost one mile that Mr. Paisley should get." A fine statement forsooth! But, as I said before, very misleading and utterly false.

Is Mr. Ball man enough to take back this statement that any ratepayer can find out for himself is not according to fact, or are his spoken and written words merely of the value of a scrap of paper?

Here is the benefit Mr. Ball gets: His homestead drained at the nine-foot ditch at the public expense, and I think Mr. B. will not deny that this is of some value, and some one hundred yards further down gets \$100 for allowing the water, so drained, on to the pieces of land bought from Mr. Paisley. We need not comment on this any more; only this, taking the variance from one part free and paying for a little strip of land to put the same water into the creek.

Mr. Simpson and Mr. Paisley have received to help, for benefits given, or to receive, from the Storey recommendation. Is it too much to ask Mr. Ball what he will do?

In another place Mr. Ball says that if I had given my foreman instructions to put a culvert below Simpson's gate, when Paisley complained in 1913, all this trouble and expense would have been saved, and that this is the nail-head I missed and he hit. Well, now, that is some check, as the school boy would say I when the Councillor of Div. No. 2 and his foreman has as much right to see to this road as I have, the road in question being the dividing line between Divs. 1 and 2 at this point.

Mr. Mole, on the east side, never complained to me that he was keeping the water on his land, and why should I put it on the other side of the road when it was doing no damage to No. 1? Does he expect me to follow up this water, say to the Hudson Bay and see that it doesn't upset the new harbor there, or what am I expected to do with it? Did Mr. B. really miss the nail here, or was he ignorant of the fact that the Councillor from No. 2, and foreman, had as full control of this road as myself, and it was up to them, in 1913-14, to see that the water from here was not doing damage to any one.

Why did not Mr. Ball suggest a culvert at this point then?

Well, one, if ill-natured, would say that the nine-foot ditch was not ready then; but now it is quite safe to suggest a culvert at Simpson's gate, and if he wants to do some more "jamming" let him drop a hint to the Councillor of his Division.

He asks again, "Why should Div. No. 2 be expected to pay for the supposed Paisley damage when they have not done anything to cause it?" The answer to that is very, very simple, for the sins of omission and commission. Before I leave this I would ask Mr. B. this question again: "Instead of asking Mr. Williams to allow him to put a culvert running the water into Mr. Paisley's, why did he not suggest one below Simpson's gate; that is, in 1913?"

He claims the nail is there; will he hit it?

A few words more, Mr. Editor, before I close. Is Mr. Ball aware that in using the words, "The supposed Paisley damage," he is casting a slur on the men who valued the said damages, measured the land, etc., for Mr. Paisley? Men who are, to say the least, his equals in the estimation of the people of the Lacombe district, for probity and ability in anything they may do. For there is no question damage was done, although men might have differed about the amount.

Mr. Ball, at the end of his letter, gives his views on how this matter should be solved—culverts at Simpson's gate and Paisley's. My plan for the coming summer may, or may not, be of interest to your correspondent, but I might mention that if all goes right the road from Simpson's gate south will be thoroughly graded, but no culvert will be put in. I am sorry if I am going against the wishes of the people, but as I see it, Div. No. 1 has no interests to serve in paying for a culvert to be installed at Simpson's gate, and as long as the ratepayers of the first Division send me to do their work in Council, and on the Division's roads, I intend to use my own judgment, be it good or bad, in doing that work, and no amount of snapping and snarling from outside parties will make me deviate a hair's breadth from that judgment.

If there is to be any more water jamming the ratepayers of Div. No. 1 and their Councillor beg leave to wash their hands of it.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, I am, yours respectfully,

JAMES SHARP.

Drumrossie Farm,

March 15, 1916.

A Household Query—and the Obvious Answer

Why do the foremost purveyors of foodstuffs give almost as much attention to the package as to the goods themselves?

Because a perfect product is very soon a spoiled product unless properly protected.

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ORANGE LODGE ELECTS ITS OFFICERS

Calgary, March 15.—The provincial grand lodge of the Loyal Orange Association, elected the following officers this afternoon: Grand Master, Robert White; Calgary; Deputy Grand Master, Rev. M. L. Wright; Wetaskiwin; Junior Deputy Grand Master, Sir James Outram, Vermilion; Grand Chaplain, Rev. A. D. Archibald; Grand Secretary, W. G. Walford, Edmonton; Grand Treasurer, G. L. Montgomery, Fort Saskatchewan; Grand Director of Ceremonies, D. Allan, Edmonton; Grand Lecturer, Chas Shaw, Edmonton; Grand Auditors, S. Main Edmonton; and J. Pollett (Winnipeg); Deputy Grand Secretary, H. S. Fleming, Calgary; Deputy Grand Chaplains, Rev. W. J. Conley (Nanaimo), Rev. T. Revie (Islay), Rev. J. Stewart (Killam, P.O.), Rev. Huston (Vegreville), Rev. A. Ester (Calgary), Rev. J. T. Hunter (Blairmore), Rev. W. Miller (Hanna), Rev. J. Pate (Alix), Rev. A. D. Richards (Macleod).

The Grand Lodge adopted resolutions condemning the stand taken by Henri Bourassa and Armand Lavergne, the Nationalists leaders.

Calgary, March 16.—The Grand Lodge of Alberta of the Loyal Orange Association of Orange men of America concluded its session last night with a banquet and supper.

Among other things the Grand Lodge did was decide to hold the next annual celebration on July 12, in Edmonton. The committee announced that arrangements had been made with the Exhibition Association and the railways so that excursion rates could be paid.

The question of holding an Orange ball came up, but it was decided not to do so, as so many of the Orange men were in khaki.

The Norris government in Manitoba was commended for its stand on the school laws.

WONDERFUL PROGRESS OF SLAVS IN PERSIA

London, March 15.—Advices from Petrograd describe remarkable progress in Persia of the Russian troops, who are moving swiftly over difficult roads and in the face of considerable opposition toward the Mesopotamian frontier, whence they expect to be in touch with the British forces at Kut-el-Amara and the relieving column under Generals Lake and Aylmer. In their advance against the Turks along the Black sea littoral toward Trebizond, the Russians have captured additional Turkish officers and men, and two machine guns.

A British column has attacked an advanced position of the Turks in Mesopotamia, bayonetted a considerable number of the Turks and captured others.

The Russian Front

Petrograd, via London, March 15, 10.42 p.m.—The following official communication was issued today:

"Western (Russian) front: A German aeroplane flew over the vicinity of Freiderichstadt, but disappeared after our guns opened fire on it. An intense gun fire was exchanged near Jacobstadt.

"Our artillery dispersed a strong enemy convoy in the neighborhood of the Ilboukst and Ponelwesch railroads in the Danube region. Between lakes Medean and Demen we successfully shelled marching enemy columns."

Southward of the Stripa river and in Galicia we had several successful encounters with enemy patrols.

"Caucasian front: While continuing our pursuit of the Turks we have captured 20 additional officers, 346 Askaris, as well as two mountain guns."

REGISTRATION IN

ONTARIO URGED

Toronto, March 16.—A delegation of leading citizens of the province of Ontario will shortly wait on Premier Hearst and ask that an act be passed providing for a complete registration of all persons in the province, male and female, between the ages of 15 and 65, excepting those enrolled in the expeditionary forces.

The object of the registration is to find out the resources of the province, in men fit for military or other service, and its entire resources in workers. Another end in view is that this province may not be drained of its workers after it has completed its quota of the 500,000 men Canada is contributing for war service abroad. Ontario's share, yet to be raised, of this total, is 87,000.

L. I. D. No. 399.

Lacombe, March 11, 1915.
Council met in the Town Hall, Lacombe, all Councillors being present, with Jas. Sharp in the chair.

The minutes of previous meeting were read, and it was moved by Southward, seconded by Rainforth, that they be adopted as read. Carried.

Moved by Foren, seconded by Southward, That Councilors send in a list of names of the men who have enlisted from out of their divisions, with the numbers of men, battalions, and company if possible, to the Secretary, and he shall then forward same to the Secretary of Provincial Committee. Carried.

Moved by Foren, seconded by Southward, That the account of Christie & Son, \$28.75, be passed and ordered paid. Carried.

Moved by Foren, seconded by Douglas, That the assessment roll be accepted as presented. Carried.

Moved by Foren, seconded by Rainforth, That the following labor pay sheets be passed, the chairman authorized to sign, and treasurer instructed to pay the same. Carried.

B 1-16, \$30.25; B 2-16,

\$45.10; F 1-16, \$126.00; total, \$201.35.

Moved by Rainforth, seconded by McLennan, That the expenses of the two delegates to the convention at Edmonton (Messrs. Foren and Simpson), amounting to \$21.50, be ordered paid. Carried.

Moved by Southward, seconded by Foren, That this Council approve of the agreement between the Town Council of Lacombe and the Council of L. I. D. No. 399, whereby the Town Council of Lacombe agrees to pay to L. I. D. Council the sum of \$250.00 in lieu of all taxes due the said L. I. D. on the lots included in the list prepared by E. J. Tett, Secretary-Treasurer of Lacombe, in Hyde Park and Fairview subdivisions, subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs. Carried.

Moved by Foren, seconded by Southward, That the meeting be adjourned to the call of secretary. Carried.

Jas. Sharp, Chairman.

Sec.-Treas., L. I. D. No. 399.

MEADOWBROOK ITEMS

March 15th, 1915.
Harry Bullock has enlisted in the 151st.

Ben Heath bought a fine team of mares this week.

Mr. Wm. Riley is living with his son, W. J., at present.

John Eddie is busy erecting buildings on his new farm.

Ab. Riley invested in a new Deere sulky plow last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Riley were visitors at H. C. Travis' Sun day last.

Mr. E. A. Edwards bought a registered Clydesdale mare at Mr. Godfrey's sale.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lord, of Lavalta, took a moonlight drive to Meadowbrook this week.

Carl Christensen is about ready to saw lumber, and has a setting of two thousand logs to saw.

Mr. Cortney Howard, of Calgary, bought a quarter section of land from B. Heath last week.

Mr. Joe Carradon has re turned home from Edmonton,

where he has been with his brother-in-law, who is seriously ill.

Mr. F. Dobbs has made a great improvement to the look of the country by cutting timber out of the road allowance between sections 18-17.

LOCKHART ITEMS

Bob Jaffray says this batching is getting on his nerves. He is thinking of going fishing.

You can almost tell if Alex. Jaffray is at home if you notice the smile on Lorna's face.

Arthur Jaffray and wife spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. Miller, and report good time.

I see William E. Miller has been laid up for a week with a cut on his face and a black eye. Wonder where he got it?

I saw Gus Palmer walking home from Rimby the other day with a halter in his hand. He looked as if his best friends had deserted him, or maybe he has lost his walks for his health.

It looks like George is planning two sets of buildings, one in each corner of his eighty acres. Wonder if he is thinking of having two wives. Stay with it, George, they will show up after while.

I thought I heard a fog-horn at Frank Pike's on Thursday of last week, but Orion says it was only Miller that saw it old cow bell at some of the small buildings, but of course old Frank was inside of it.

CLIVE ITEMS

H. Hutchcroft was a visitor to Ponoka for several days last week.

Hansen.—Born on Sunday, March 12th, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hansen, a son.

Private Nelson spent several days leave on furlough with friends in this district.

M. Hudkins left on Monday of last week to join his regiment, the 151st, which he has enlisted in.

E. L. Dickenson is wearing a medal these days, informing the public that he holds the position of town constable.

Get your dog tags now. The secretary-treasurer of the village has them, and those intending to take out a license should see him.

The Clive Public School commenced to open at 9 o'clock on Monday of last week. Parents should therefore keep this in mind and see that their children are not late.

The Red Cross play, "Between the Acts," was given in the Town Hall on Friday evening last the 17th inst., and was a success from start to finish, every one taking part doing their little best and doing it well.

PONOKA NEWS

Mrs. C. L. Farnum is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Neil Nelson of Stettler.

Williams.—On March 11th, to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar I. Williams, a daughter.

Ed. Bright has gone to Peace River Crossing, where he expects to work till the fall.

S. B. Shreve has been called to Oma, Iowa, on account of the illness of his sister.

Over \$70 were the financial return of the supper given by the Ladies' Missionary Society.

Mrs. M. Preston, of Detroit City, Minn., is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Edgar Williams.

Prices at auction sales still rule high, more especially for cattle, while horses are also on the up-grade.

Mrs. A. L. Johnston has gone on a visit to Sudbury, having received word that her mother is in very poor health.

In the pool tournament at the Club Poolroom, Ponoka came out ahead as usual, beating Lacombe by 24 points.

The Red Man was much in evidence in town the first of last week. Having received a pay

ment on their surrendered land, they had some trading to do.

Robert Mann has joined the 151st battalion at Edmonton, and Edward Lee, who has been a student in the agricultural college, Olds, has joined the 137th of Calgary. Still there's room for more.

Fertile Forest debating society and the Bismarck literary society will hold a debate in the Bismarck school next Friday, the 24th. The subject, "Consolidated Schools," is a live one. A basket social and musical program will follow.

In the casualty lists of the 11th there appeared the name of James W. Johnstone, nephew of A. C. Hare, who has been killed in action. He visited his uncle at the ranch in the summer of 1914, and was well known in the Earville district.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Brewer, accompanied by the former's father, J. R. Brewer, returned from their visit to their old home in Nebraska a few days ago. Notwithstanding that the weather was not too good, they had an enjoyable visit, but are better pleased than ever with their Alberta home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Jones have just returned from their visit to relatives in the States. This is the first trip they have taken since coming here some fifteen years ago. John could go back to the old home with not a little pride. He came here with practically nothing, and can now boast of a comfortable home, plenty of stock, and three quarter sections. That's saying something for Alberta.

H. J. Jones and family, of Clarkston, Washington, arrived in town a few days ago, and are to make their home here. Mr. Jones is owner of the Jasper Seifert ranch, south of town, and will move in in a day or two. Mr. Jones has forsaken banking for farming, and has to be congratulated on the step he has taken. He and his wife will have a hearty welcome and many warm friends; that's certain.

The Patriotic Concert of last Thursday night was one of the best yet put on by the local patriotic troupe. There were selections by the Ponoka Orchestra; violin solos by Mr. Rigby, leader of the orchestra; readings by Mrs. Watson; selections by the quartette, comprising Messrs. Farnum, Jones, Allan, and Williams; new slight-of-hand tricks and sketches by R. B. Allan. Let us have more concerts of the same nature.

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THE SUPREME COURT OF ALBERTA 1916

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The price of the Canadian Liberal Monthly has been reduced to 25 cents a year. At that price surely every Liberal in Canada should be willing to subscribe.

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An Easy Test

Growing Plants Good Indicators of Healthy Conditions

"Grow plants in your living room," advises a medical authority. "And if they flourish, you are well; and there is more reason for making them grow, for the sake of the plants, but for the sake of the people." The plants, he says, are better judges of good air, or at least better indicators of health than are people. In a house that is overheated, or where there is too much or too damp or too dry, flowers will not thrive. Stale air, particularly makes them weak and withered. And their withered condition is a faithful sign that the human occupants of that house are withering likewise during the time that they are there. When the flowers do not thrive, men and women and children will not thrive. And so, if you succeed in keeping plants green and healthy, you are well; and this is better evidence than all the thermometers and hygrometers can give that the same healthy conditions surround your family. The same authority adds that it would be a good idea to grow potted plants in school rooms, offices and other places where people may have proper water and soil, then it's evident that something ought to be done about the air. It's the simplest and easiest test.—Vancouver Province.

Hosiery Prices Advance

The United States who insist on imported hosiery will have to pay more for it in the future, says a report from England. So will those who fancy Scotch material. So will those who like Stockings, socks and hosiery manufacturers announce a substantial increase in price owing to the scarcity of raw wool.

From Australia also comes the news of a shortage in Australian supplies due to the inability to export. These factors, we are not overwhelmed. There are bright prospects for the coming season.

Largest Tree Trunk

Said to be the largest tree trunk in the world is that of a tree at Hita, Mexico, which measures 145 feet in girth.

FOOD FACTS

What an M.D. Learned

A prominent physician went through a food experiment which he makes public:

"I had such a bad cold that I decided to advocate Grape-Nuts food, and I also know from having prescribed it to many patients that this food is a wonderful restorer and restorer of nerve and brain tissue, as well as muscle. I improved my health and gained weight just as I did in strength and weight, very rapidly."

"I have such a new state that I have to give up my work entirely, and go to the mountains, but two months there did not improve me. I was sick again when I came home when I left home. My food did not sustain me and it became plain that I must change."

"I began to use Grape-Nuts and in two weeks I could walk a mile, and in five weeks returned to my home. I am now in full health and work again. Since that time I have felt as well and stronger as I ever did in my life."

"As a physician who seeks to help all sufferers I consider it a duty to make these facts public. The Grape-Nuts when the regular food does not seem to sustain the body will work wonders. There's a Reason—Name given by Canadian Postman, G. Winstan Omt."

"Did you read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest."

W.N.U. 1093

Irrigation in Alberta

The Experience of Irrigation Farmers in Wet Years

An unusually wet season such as 1915 naturally raises the question, "How do irrigated crops in the large irrigation area in Southern Alberta fare under such conditions?" Numerous reports have been submitted, results under such conditions, but the only definite answer is found in the testimony of the threshing machine, and this seems to indicate that, in a wet year, irrigation is at least no disadvantage, and irrigated crops are at least as heavy and mature as those grown without irrigation.

As a country boy has quoted the experience of Mr. R. D. Stevenson, no farmer a short distance east of Lethbridge, Alberta. All the stubble land on his farm was heavily irrigated in the fall of 1914 as a preparation for the 1915 crop, the water being applied from September 20 to October 5. The ground was plowed in early November, this land was plowed to a depth of five inches and was left in the condition until the spring of 1915, when it was tilled twice about the middle of April. It was then double disced, harrowed and sown with oats, which were sown at the rate of two and a half bushels to the acre with oats, the ground being seeded to a depth of three inches. The ground was tilled in the fall of 1915 and the oats were threshed in the fall of 1915 when they yielded 4,027 bushels, or an average of 10 bushels to the acre.

Land on the same farm on which barley was grown in 1914 was heavily irrigated in the fall of 1914 and was sown in the spring of 1915 to a depth of six inches, the area plowed each day before harrowing the same evening. The barley field, an average of 10 bushels to the acre.

Although neither oats nor barley was sown in 1915, the barley field for both crops was heavily irrigated and received the heavy rainfall of 1915, yet the crops matured at an early date with the yield above stated.

On the whole, the result of a season such as 1915 is that the farmer, it seems to prove that the soil is immensely fertile when sufficient water is applied at the right time, and that the cost of irrigation is at least no disadvantage in a wet season, whereas it guarantees the farmer against loss from drought in any ordinary year.

It will Prevent Ulcerated Throat, which presages ulceration and inflammation, take a spoonful of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Add a little sugar to it and swallow. It will cure the throat irritation and prevent the ulceration and swelling that are so painful. Those who were periodically subject to colds have thus made themselves immune to attack.

Another Full Granary

Conditions in the West Appear Very Favorable for a Good Crop in 1916

Production is now fully recognized as the basic element in the nation's strength, and the report that farms in the great wheat belt are in exceptionally good condition, and the crop next year will be welcome throughout the Dominion. Even if a repetition of last year's phenomenal crop is not repeated, the favorable conditions for an abundant yield will strengthen and inspire confidence. This is highly important. We should not encourage extravagance or waste, it is desirable and necessary that business and private industry should provide encouragement and assurance of prosperous conditions. Fear of depression will bring depression in war time, peace and needless辛勤 will be avoided by a confident outlook.

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The farmers have plenty of money, and the grain market is in a very strong position. The opening season the ground is in excellent shape. If weather continues as at present, and an early start can be made the empire's granary may again be overflowing.

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Glass Windows
Glass windows were first used for light in 1849

German Hope Gone

It is not likely that any German expects now that Germany will win this war. The German arms have performed well and efficiency has been the mark of the world, but the failure to capture Paris in the early weeks of the war was doubtless fatal to their hopes. Perhaps the great French victory at Verdun will be the turning point.

Canada has taken up the load. She is sending her sons to suffer and die on the battlefields of Europe and Asia Minor, and to raise money for the war, to pay for the war, to help the German victory in Russia and in the Balkans.—Brotherhood Herald.

Still Singing Their Praises

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS CURED HIS RHEUMATISM

Mr. D. A. Brotherton Tells How His Rheumatism Disappeared Over a Year Ago and has Never Come Back.

Victoria, Harbor, Ont.—(Special)—
 Cure of rheumatism over a year ago by using Dodd's Kidney Pills, Mr. D. A. Brotherton, a widower, resident of this place, is still singing the praises of the great Canadian kidney remedy.

He was troubled with rheumatism in my left hand, which would shift to my elbow and then to my shoulder," Mr. Brotherton says. "It was very annoying, and I could not work. But I heard of Dodd's Kidney Pills helping others so I quit the business I was in and took up a walkabout. I was still suffering from the rheumatism and the cure disappeared. That was over a year ago, but it has not returned.

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At the bottom of the ocean water is much colder than at the top.

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Alberta's First Short Course

The Alberta Department of Agriculture is holding its first schools of agriculture this winter. The department has made complete plans for giving instruction in agriculture, animal husbandry, dairying, arboriculture and irrigation, and the courses of lectures in cooking, housework and home nursing.

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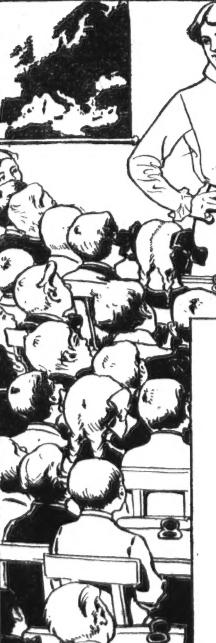
Wartime prices was the rule at a certain restaurant in a provincial town, and as it was the only one in the place the customers had to accept it.

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Items of Interest Locally

Miss Lizzie McNaughton, of Kualt, B.C., is visiting her parents in Lacombe.

Mrs. Chas. Pingle, of Medicine Hat, visited her sister, Mrs. Jesse Fraser, this week.

Phone 95—the New Meat Market—for your needs in the meat line. F. Cheeseman.

Just on the side we recall hearing the remark that if raising a family is all there is to it, John Lump could do that.

A piano is wanted for the recreation room of the local platoon of the 151st. Anyone having one to rent will kindly communicate with A. Lundie at A. Urquhart & Co.

Are you following the Diamond From the Sky at the Rex every Tuesday evening? It's worth your while, and not too late to start yet, a synopsis being shown.

Messrs Graydon and Birthman represented the local Orangemen at the meeting of the Grand Lodge in Calgary last week.

Everything the best at the Pioneer Meat Market. L. W. Puffer is now in charge, and will see that only the best meats, etc. are sold. Call phone 15 for prompt service.

Two per cent only of the people of the Dominion of Canada have enlisted. Six per cent of the people of the province of Alberta have enlisted, and Lacombe district is furnishing its full share.

The Belgian Consul at Montreal has acknowledged with thanks, the donation of \$83.35, the proceeds of the dance given by the ladies of Lacombe

Hiram Flewelling, now of Derby, B.C., is renewing acquaintances in Lacombe this week.

G. Weber of Leading Store staff held a sale of his household goods on Saturday last, and is moving with his family to Ontario.

A. E. Dean, for the past year practicing law in Lacombe, has gone into partnership in an Edmonton law firm, and closed his offices here this week.

Will the ladies who knit for St. John's Ambulance kindly meet at the home of Mrs. D. Cameron on Tuesday evening, the 28th, from 8 to 10.

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Mr. and Mrs. Barnett went down to Calgary last Friday to bid adieu to their son, Harold, who has started on his journey to the trenches in the 56th, which left Calgary last week.

After a sucessful season, considering the times, the Lacombe skating and curling rink closed down for the season. The management report that expenses were cleared, which is a good record.

The local platoon of the 151st is now over fifty strong. It appears to be a little slow in filling if you do not consider that up to date over two hundred and fifty young men have enlisted from the Lacombe district

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian Church will hold a ten-cent tea and sale of home-made baking at the home of Mrs. James Gourlay on Thursday afternoon, March 30th, from 3 to 6 o'clock.

The Globe informs us that it is mistake, the word that there are incapable printers in town who have not enlisted. The Globe states in effect that all printers here are incapacitated by old age or other equally valid reasons. For the present we will take the Globe's word for it—a courtesy which the Globe has not extended to others.

Sneak thieves are prevalent in Lacombe at present. A night or two ago some thief entered the chicken house of N. E. Carruthers and purloined thirteen head of first-class hens; someone also entered W. E. Ten-housen and helped himself to four or five prize winners. There will be a heap of trouble for someone one of these days.

Judging from the noise in certain quarters, some who seem to feel that an enlistment suggestion in last week's issue of The Guardsman pinched a corn or two, are very sore. They don't seem to like their own medicine. It apparently makes a difference to them whose is gored. A reasonable zeal in urging other people to enlist is all right, but like many other good things it can be carried too far at the present time. A man who does carry it too far so far that it does in some cases the object they profess to be trying to attain.

An attempt was made on Monday night to enter the Pioneer Meat Market. One of the office windows was forced up considerable distance, but the cat got stuck and prevented it going high enough to let anyone in. If the thief had tried one of the other windows he could have got in quite easily, as they were not fastened down at all. They are all nailed down tight now.

Whatever conditions may be in the days to come, at the present stage of the war it is not up to any man in this province to see the day, the hour, and the minute that some other man must enlist. Persuade him to do it if you can, but now, with a slightish percentage of enlistment three to one above the leverage for the Dominion, is not the time to put on the screws of compulsory enlistment here.

C. P. R. Agent Jackson is having a lot of trouble keeping his staff up to the standard, four of his men having enlisted during the past few days. H. McAlion, who took over the express office a few days ago, has joined the colors, and Mr. Jackson has just received word that W. Cluff, who was going to take the place of Percy Flemming, has also decided that his country needs him, and has got into khaki. T. Liggins, of the staff, is also enlisting.

"THE GHOST BREAKER"

H. B. Warner, who made such a hit at the Rex a week or two ago in "The Lost Paradise," is to be seen again on Saturday and Monday evenings, and in his original role, in the chirling drama, "The Ghost Breaker," showing 5 acts of superb dramatic acting. To relate the story of this great picture would take up too much of our space. But we will say that it's something outside the ordinary run of pictures. We can all remember in our boyhood and girlhood days of hearing ghost stories, but there are other ghosts than spiritual ones, but the skeleton in the closet is no ghost to the Ghost Breaker. Some of the scenes show Jarvis forcing the Duke's hand; Jarvis exploring the haunted castle and the torture chamber; Jarvis in his affectionate moment forgetting the

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ghost. But why explain all its many scenes? See it for yourself at the Rex either Saturday or Monday evening.

In the Ottawa house, on Monday, Hon. C. J. Doherty, Minister of Justice, brought in a bill to prohibit the importation of intoxicating liquor into any of the provinces which have voted liquor out. There is no doubt that the bill will pass the house

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